Study on the safety and efficacy of sylvan Red Yeast Rice in adults with primary hypercholesteremia

| Submission date | Recruitment status | Prospectively registered |
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| 02/06/2005 | No longer recruiting | Protocol |
| Registration date | Overall study status | Statistical analysis plan |
| 21/09/2005 | Completed | Results |
| Last Edited | Condition category | Individual participant data |
| 14/10/2009 | Nutritional, Metabolic, Endocrine | Record updated in last year |
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Plain English summary of protocol

Not provided at time of registration

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Additional identifiers

EudraCT/CTIS number

IRAS number

ClinicalTrials.gov number

Secondary identifying numbers

CTN RR 141

Study information

Scientific Title

Acronym

RYR

Study objectives

Treatment with Red Yeast Rice will significantly lower Low-Density Lipoprotein (LDL) levels.

Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

Ethics approval(s)

Not provided at time of registration

Study design

Randomised controlled trial

Primary study design

Interventional

Secondary study design

Randomised controlled trial

Study setting(s)

Not specified

Study type(s)

Treatment

Participant information sheet

Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Hypercholesteremia

Interventions

Red Yeast Rice Stage One: This stage is a randomised, double blind, placebo-controlled, three arm parallel study. The study will compare baseline lipid levels with post-treatment levels for the treatment and placebo groups over a 12-week period. Interim analyses of the data will be conducted at the completion of stage one, and subjects will be issued with the active medication at the end of week 12. The analysis of data will continue for eight weeks.

16 weeks - Four weeks wash out for subjects ceasing lipid-lowering agents. After determination of baseline lipid levels subjects will be assigned to 12 weeks of treatment.

Interim analysis of data eight weeks. Subjects will continue on active treatment.

Arm one: 24 participants taking two active capsules, with a meal in the morning and two placebo capsules with a meal at night

Arm two: 24 participants taking two active capsules with a meal in the morning and two active capsules with a meal at night

Arm three: 24 participants taking two placebo capsules with a meal in the morning and two placebo capsules with a meal at night

Stage Two: An open labelled study where all subjects receive the active treatment over 32 weeks. Participants taking two active capsules with a meal in the morning and two active capsules with a meal at night.

Intervention Type

Drug

Phase

Not Specified

Drug/device/biological/vaccine name(s)

Red Yeast Rice

Primary outcome measure

Change in LDL cholesterol from baseline to end of treatment.

Secondary outcome measures

Change in total cholesterol, High-Density Lipoprotein cholesterol (HDL) and triglycerides.

Overall study start date

01/07/2005

Completion date

30/07/2005

Eligibility

Key inclusion criteria

- 1. LDL cholesterol more than or equal to 3.5 to less than or equal to 5.7 mmol/l
- 2. Aged 18 to 75 years
- 3. Body mass index less than or equal to 32 kg/m^2

Participant type(s)

Patient

Age group

Adult

Lower age limit

18 Years

Sex

Both

Target number of participants

72

Key exclusion criteria

- 1. Triglyceride levels more than 4 mmol/l
- 2. Total cholesterol more than 10 mmol/l
- 3. Use of lipid lowering medications including herbal and other "natural" lipid lowering agents within one month of baseline
- 4. Liver function enzymes more than three times the upper limit of normal at baseline
- 5. Pregnant women or women unwilling to use birth control for the duration of the study
- 6. Diabetes
- 7. Hypothyroidism
- 8. Smoking
- 9. Cardiovascular disease
- 10. Subjects unwilling to comply with study protocol
- 11. Poor venous access
- 12. Any other condition, which in the opinion of the investigators could compromise the study

Date of first enrolment

01/07/2005

Date of final enrolment

30/07/2005

Locations

Countries of recruitment

Australia

Study participating centre

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Sponsor information

Organisation

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Sponsor type

Industry

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Funder(s)

Funder type

Industry

Funder Name

Sylvan Health Pty Ltd (Australia)

Results and Publications

Publication and dissemination planNot provided at time of registration

Intention to publish date

Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan

IPD sharing plan summary

Not provided at time of registration